Amendments to the Claims:

1-15. (cancelled)

16. (previously presented) A security document comprising a substrate (P) as a first constituting part, and at least one other constituting part (1,2,3) such as a security thread, a window or a foil, wherein a same, and a first ink-based security element (S) being applied to or comprised in one of the constituting parts (P,1,2,3), said security element (S) having identifiable properties, the presence of said properties serving as a first authenticating feature for said security document, is contained a first time on or in the substrate (P) or on or in one said constituting parts (1,2,3),

wherein at least a further security element (S) having substantially the same identifiable properties is applied to or comprised in at least another of the constituting parts (P,1,2,3) and a second time in an ink or coating printed on said substrate (P) as a second security feature,

wherein said first and second security element (S) are is chosen from the group consisting of optically variable pigments, multi-layer thin-film interference pigments, liquid-crystal pigments, holographic pigments, interference-coated particles, thermochromic pigments, photochromic pigments, luminescent compounds, infrared-absorbing compounds, UV-absorbing compounds, magnetic compounds, micro-engraved or micro-textured flake pigments, and forensic marking compounds, wherein said first and the further security elements are materially the same,

and wherein said first and second security element (S) are <u>is</u> applied or added to the constituting parts (P,1,2,3) in a manner to allow a comparison of their properties as a third security feature.

17. (canceled)

- 18. (previously presented) A security document according to claim 16, wherein said security document is selected from the group consisting of a banknote, a value paper, an identification document, an access card, a security label and a packaging.
- 19. (previously presented) A security document according to claim 16, wherein said substrate (P) is chosen from the group consisting of papers, cardboards, textiles, foils, printing layers and polymer sheets.
- 20. (previously presented) A security document according to claim 16, wherein said other constituting parts (1,2,3) are chosen from the group consisting of printing inks, security threads, windows, fibers, planchettes, foils and decals.

21 - 23. (canceled)

- 24. (currently amended) A security document according to claim 16, wherein said security elements are element is chosen from the group comprising consisting of covert security elements.
- 25. (currently amended) A method for producing a security document comprising a substrate (P) as a first constituting part and at least another constituting part (1,2,3) such as a security thread, a window or a foil, said method comprising the steps of
- a) applying or adding a first same, ink-based security element (S) to one of said constituting parts (P,1,2,3), said security element (S) having identifiable properties, the presence of said properties serving as a first authenticating feature for said security document a first time onto or into the substrate (P) or on or in one of said constituting parts (1,2,3),
- b) applying or adding at least a further said security element (S) a second time through printing onto said substrate (P) having substantially the same identifiable properties to another of the constituting parts (P,1,2,3) as a second security feature,

wherein materially the same security element (S) is applied or added to two or more different constituting parts (P) of said security documents,

wherein said first and further security elements element (S) are is chosen from the group consisting of optically variable pigments, multi-layer thin-film interference pigments, liquid-crystal pigments, holographic pigments, interference-coated particles, thermochromic pigments, photochromic pigments, luminescent compounds, infrared-absorbing compounds, UV-absorbing compounds, magnetic compounds, micro-engraved or micro-textured flake pigments, and forensic marking compounds,

and wherein said security elements element (S) are is applied or added to the constituting parts (P,1,2,3) in a manner to allow a comparison of their properties as a third security feature.

26. (canceled)

27. (currently amended) A method according to claim 25, wherein at least one of said security elements element (S) is applied to a constituting part (P,1,2,3) by a coating or printing procedure.